

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The National Guard State Partnership program was established in 1993 as an integral part of combatant command security cooperation objectives; and,

Whereas, South Dakota and the country of Suriname established a successful security cooperation relationship in 2006 under the National Guard State Partnership program; and,

Whereas, The two parties have conducted more than 100 engagement activities to date in support of mutually-beneficial objectives, including promoting response capacity for natural disasters and providing humanitarian relief, building partnership capacity for peacekeeping operation missions, and enhancing regional access; and,

Whereas, This partnership will continue to flourish and provide many more opportunities to exchange for years to come; and,

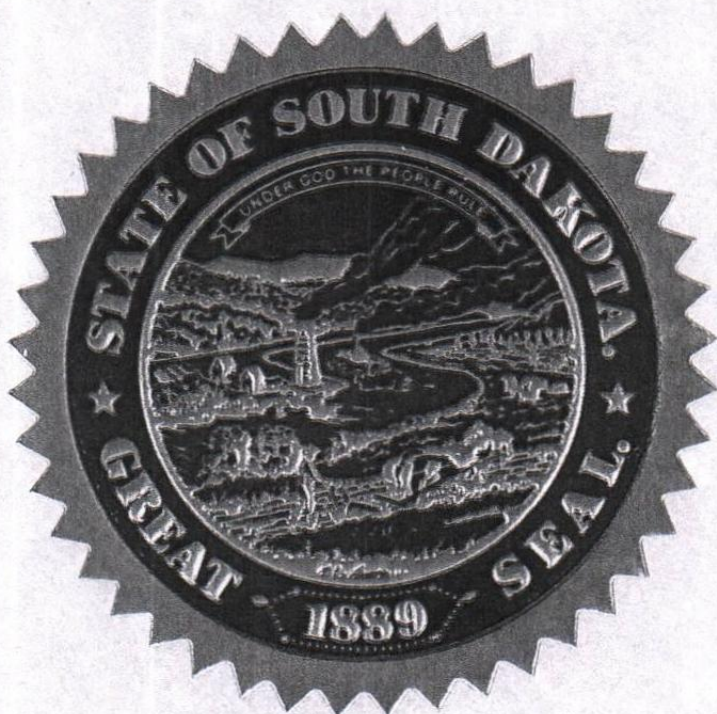
Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the 10th anniversary and celebrate the growth of a partnership that will endure for years:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 16, 2016, as

SURINAME-SOUTH DAKOTA PARTNERSHIP DAY

in South Dakota, by thanking all those involved in making this partnership a shining example and a credit to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.



Dennis Daugaard
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State